1990-91 and during the curent financial year upto December 27, 1991 is as indicated below:-

(Rs. crore)

	1989-90	*1990-1991*	*1991-92 (upto Dec. 27.1991)*
Union Governments	13,813	14,745	9811
State Governments	255	420	(-)1665

(b) Increase in net RBI credit to Governments leads to growth of reserve money and consequent monetary expansion. Notes in circulation incfreased by Rs. 8086 crore in 1989-90, Rs. 6931 crore in 1990-91 and Rs. 6287 crore in the current financial year (upto December 27, 1991).

(c) Union and State Governments resort to borrowing from the Reserve Bank of India primarily to cover their budget deficits.

Visakhapatnam Naval Dockyard

1809. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Naval dockyard at Visakhapatnam has shown inordinate delay in repairing and servicing of combat vessels;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps being taken to improve the problems of servicing and repairing there?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (c). There have generally been no delays in the repairs and refits of Naval vessels at the Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam. However, there have been unavoidable delays in some cases, primarily due to the lack of adequate capacity at the Dockyard or the non-availability of spares from foreign sources. Several measures have been taken to obviate such delays, which include sharing of work with the Naval Dockyard, Bombay, greater efforts towards the indigenisation of spares and the off-loading of work to other agencies.

[*Translation*]

Export of Leather Products

1810. SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate any policy for the export of leather products;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the policy is likely to be announced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c). While there is no specific proposal to formulate any policy for the export of leather products, sustained efforts are being made to increase the export of leather products. As a result of these efforts, export of leather products have gone up appreciably in recent years from about Rs. 913 crores in 1988-89 to about Rs. 1831 Crores in 1990-91.

Updating of Electoral Rolls and Issue of Identity Card to Voters

1811. SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state: